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ACQUITTED OF THE CHARGE OF POI-SONING MISS LIBBIE KNAPP.

Criminal Annals of Pennsylvania -Verdict of the Jury Applauded.

WELLSBORO, Pa., Dec. 13.-Mrs. Charlotte Howell was to-night acquitted of the charge of murder in poisoning Libbie Knapp. The verdict of the jury was greet-Mrs. Howell remained calm until her relatives stepped up to congratulate her. Then chell, who consumed nearly two hours and a half in his charge to the jury. It was considered by the members of the bar a fair and impartial statement of the case. The case was given to the jury at 5 elderly men and they showed the strain of twenty days' confinement. They ap-

The Howell case was one of the strangest Mrs. Howell, who is the wife of Chauncey Howell, of Tioga, is a member of a well-known New York family, and her two brothers, Dutton by name, are among the wealthiest merchants of that city. She was estranged from them from the time of her marriage until the charge of murder was were neighbors, and a warm intimacy exwas nineteen years old. Libbie had a love affair, which ended in a parting, and therebegan to receive letters would be found tied to the door knob, thrust in a broken window pane or thrown in the doorway. Most of these, it was alleged, were found by Mrs. Howell. Last May Libble was taken suddenly ill and Mrs. Howell took her to her own house to attend her. On May 17 she died and evi-dence of polsoning was found. Mrs. Howell was soon afterwards arrested. The letters. which were both obscene and threatening in character, were all printed in Roman letters with a lead pencil. It was the commonwealth's purpose to prove that the prisoner had poisoned the girl because of ealousy. There is general satisfaction over the result of the trial, but the case re-mains shrouded in mystery. There is no mestion of the fact that the girl was murbrought out to fasten the crime upon any

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Express Company's Agent Indicted and Tried for Wholesaling Beer.

NOVEL LIQUOR CASE.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 13 .- C. M. Humeston, ndicted for wholesaling liquor without government license, was tried to-day in the federal court. He is the agent for the Adams Express Company at Hastings, and it is really that company which is on trial. The evidence shows that certain liquor dealers in Hastings were in the habit of giving their orders for beer to the express company, when they needed it, and the local agent would send these orders to the office of his company at Lincoin, where they were filled. The Lincoln office had a government license to avoid possible trouble in the transaction of this branch of its business. The jury has not returned a verdict yet. If the government secures a conviction it would vitally affect all express companies.

MRS. HOWELL IS FREE

One of the Strangest Cases in the

National Federation for the Purpose of Opposing Unjust Treatment.

Colored Men's Conference to-day adopted an address to the country. It says that the status of the colored race in the United States bears a closer analogy to that of denizens than to the honorable and indefeasible rights of native born citizenship and that in at least three States of the Union citizenship is a farce, which, in default of absolute protection, should be exchanged for the panoply of some more paternal form of government. The objects of tion of opposition to every species of injustice perpetrated on the race; to render sion is felt here about her. more effective the moral, educational and social forces which freemen ought to exercise; to form a compact national organization; to assume a new attitude among the citizens of the Nation not unduly arro-

gant, but one which shall resent the as sumption of inferiority. This, the address declares, it is necessary to do after a generation of selfish inifference and un-American A plan of permanent organization was presented and finally adopted at to-night's session. The name selected is the Na-tional Federation of Colored Men. Representation shall be by sections rather than by States, the whole country to be di-vided into four sections, in each of which there shall be one vice president and one secretary, who shall be charged with organizing their respective districts. The committee which prepared the plan of organization recommended the Rev. Dr. J. M. ownsend, of Chicago, for president, but port A. Straker, of Detroit, was found to port A. Straker, of Detroit, was found to have a stronger following for president. The discussion over the selection of president was not and bitter. The vote resulted: Straker, thirty-four; Townsend, twelve. The other officers are: Attorney, John C. Jones, Chicago; general secretary, James M. Henderson, Detroit; corresponding secretary, A. J. Ross, of Iowa; treasurer, George L. Knox, Indianapolis; national lecturer. Prof. Richard T. Greener, New

Atlantic Coast from New England to Virginia Swept by the Gale, and Safety of Mariners Periled.

NO WORD FROM CLEVELAND

HE IS PROBABLY STORMBOUND IN THE CAROLINA SOUNDS.

Norfolk Flooded and Mach Damage Done by the Wind-Harrowing Tales from Officers of Incoming Ships.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 14.-The lower section of the city was badly flooded to-day, the result of the terrific northeast gales reigning in this region for the past week. The weather bureau here has issued warnings to detain all shipping in the harbor. Only two vessels cleared to-day. Many small boats have gone adrift along the Elizabeth river and its branches. A fierce windstorm swept the city about 9 o'clock to-night, doing great damage throughout the suburbs. On the main streets signs were blown and in the residence section window blinds were torn from their fastenings. The temperature has gone down several degrees and the weather is very bitter. No news can be had of President Cleveland. The telegraph wires are down between here and Hatteras, and no vessels have arrived from the Carolina sounds on account of the storm.

BAD WEATHER FOR MARINERS.

Severe Gale Along the Atlantic Coast from Sandy Hook to Cape Henry. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.-A gale with an average velocity of forty miles an hour and increasing in force is reported along the coast from Sandy Hook to Cape Henry. The heavy blow has been prevailing for nearly sixty hours. At Delaware breakwater the harbor is filled with vessels which received the warning from Washington not est uneasiness is felt concerning a number of vessels which are thought to be close work off the shore in the teeth of the gale. The three-masted schooner Varuna, Captain Selover, from Darian, Nov. 23, for Philadelphia, with a crew of seven men and 300,000 feet of lumber, is among those for which there is anxiety. She was last seen off Lookout Dec. 3.

Captain Jamieson, commanding the Earn line steamship Ernford, which arrived from St. Jago, says that the sea outside is run-ning very high—the highest he has expert-enced along the coast for several years. His vessel, as well as the Boston steamship Sparton and steamship Saxon, from Providence, was badly iced up. The three-masted schooner Nellie Tamper, Captain McLean, from St. John, was iced up beyond recognition. Her whole bow, windlass, anchors and chains were in one solic mass of ice. The forerigging was thickly coated and the decks were a sheet of ice, fore and aft.

from Tampa for Cartaret, N. J., with a cargo of phosphate, put into Delaware bay and anchored for a barbor at the Brandywine. This weekel has flad a most of sails. After repairing she resumed the out bight on account of the heavy sea to sentation of the commonwealth's side of keep from rolling her masts out. The ship Monday for New York to load for San Francisco, was still anchored in the bay to-At Bordentown, N. J., the Delaware river

Belated Steamships. NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- All the ocean liners which have arrived during the last few days have reported very heavy weather at sea, and when the big Cunarder Campania peared to be relieved and well satisfied reaches port from Liverpool and Queensrecord, the Sandy Hook lightship would have been abeam at 2:11 p. m. Up to mid-night to-night she had not been sighted by the marine observers at Fire island. On her last trip from Southampton the Cam-pania was about a day behind time, having been severly shaken up in furious

preferred against her, when they came to the American line flyer St. Paul, which her assistance. The Howells and Knapps knocked more than eight hours off her own ships bound for this port are: Belgravia, from Shields, Nov. 22; British King, from Antwerp, Nov. 28; Lowlands, from Gibraltar, Nov. 23, and Thetis, from Gibraltar, the

Continually Swept by Seas. BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 13.-The British schooner Howard, of Lunenberg, Nova Scotia, arrived to-day, after having perienced the most terrible passage in the history of her master, Captain James tions of the deck load were lost and so rough was Massachusetts bay that she lost an anchor and was being driven on the jagged rocks of Hardings ledge when rescued by a tug. When the vessel arrived here she was encased in ice from topmast to waterline and the entire crew fering terribly from cold. The Howard left Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia, a week ago today with eleven thousand feet of lumber While engaged in recfing the foresail a

young boy was swept overboard and lost. He lived at Pope's Harbor, Nova Scotia. The tempestuous weather in Boston harbor and Massachusetts bay continues tonight, although the atmosphere is not as thick as during the day. Shipping is practically at a standstill. Frightful Weather. ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 13. - Incoming ships report frightful weather. The steamer Ulunda, from Liverpool, never met such storms before. The coastwise steamers have been unable to leave the harbors for thirty been unable to leave the harbors for thirty hours. The schooner Effic Lake is ashore at Bay Bulls. The steamer Portia, running between New York, Halifax and this port, is twenty-eight hours overdue from Halifax and must have been driven out to sea and has probably broken down. Much apprehen-

Movements of Steamers. NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- Arrived: Kensingon, from Antwerp; Dresden, from Bremen BREMEN, Dec. 13.-Arrived: Saale, from New York, via Southampton. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 13.-Arrived: Lucania and Tauric, from New York. HAMBURG, Dec. 13 .- Arrived: Phoenixia, from New York.

SCHEME OF GRAIN SHIPPERS.

NAPLES, Dec. 13, 11 a. m.-Arrived: Ems, from New York.

Exporters May Make Boston a Seaboard Terminal Instead of New York.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 13.-The numerous reports in circulation at the Chamber of Commerce, custom house, and business circles that the principal grain exporters of Chicago, St. Paul and Duluth were anxious to secure Boston as their seaboard terminal, have been favestigated by the Standard. Floyd Smith, a Western shipper, con-

says that while New York rates are reasonable, poor service has been maintained for two or three years past to which Western shippers have objection. Transportation by rail to Boston makes little difference, when eighteen hours by fast steamers to Liverpool can be gained. E. E. Leland, of Chicago, says the grain trade will be taken from New York and divided between Newport News and Montreal, unless Boston secures it. A Western syndicate will endeavor to erect elevators here and have freighters run to Liverpool, London and Hamburg.

EIGHT MEN KILLED.

Unexpected Explosion of a Heavy Charge of Dynamite and Powder.

mature explosion of powder and dynamite, at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon, eight men were killed at LaFollette, Campbell county. Four bodies have been recovered and four are still under a mass of rock and earth. The pages of th KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 13,-By a pre-The names of those whose bodies were recovered are: Andrew Bales, Neal Dabney, John Webb and - Price. The explosion occurred on the works of the LaFollette occurred on the works of the LaFollette railroad, near LaFollette, where a new road is being constructed from LaFollette to Jellico. A large force of men were at work blasting for a cut. Three kegs of powder had been placed in a sixteen-foot hole and four sticks of dynamite were also added to the deadly charge. A fuse was attached to the powder, and the men ran from the place to a safe distance to await the result. They waited fourteen minutes, and the charge failed to go off. The men were then ordered to break into the hole by the foreman to readjust the fuse. They obeyed the order, all being apparently satisfied that the fire had become extinct. Just as they re-entered the hole, however, the terrifle explosion occurred, and the earth and stone for many yards around were dislodged and thrown into a conglomerate mass, with the latest received to-night a rescuing force was still at work removing the dirt and rock and searching for the missing bodies.

DISPATCHES FROM SPANIARDS.

Campos's Soldiers Said to Be Surrounding Their Enemies-Filibusters Acquitted-Palma's Legation.

ianca and others are moving towards Mani- the cemetery. The grandsons of the caragua and forming a circle around the main body of the insurgents commanded by Gomez and Maceo, in the province of Santa

Clara, Colonel Rubin has routed the insurgents under Quintin Bandera. The troops lost three killed and had thirty wounded, including two officers seriously wounded, The insurgents had twenty-seven killed and

Heavy musketry firing, lasting several ours, has been heard in the direction of comento, province of Santa Clara. No deails of the engagement have been received. General Campos is at Cienfuegos, the seaort of Santa Clara. The insurgents have burned the canefield at Parque Alto, in the district of Clenfue-gos, belonging to the English vice consul, George Fowler. The loss is \$50,000. They have also burned the plantation of Chu-basco, in the district of Sagua.

There have arrived at Guantanamo the cruiser Ensenada and the gunboats Hernan, Cortez, Pizarro, Vasco, Nunez and Balboa, and at Santiago de Cuba the gunboat Al-The column of Colonel Zubia has fought the bands commanded by Roloff and has put them to flight in disorder to the moun-

tains of Matahambre. Filibusters Acquitted. WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.-The State Department received a dispatch to-day stating that the twenty-one Cubans on trial in Nassau on the charge of conducting a filibustering expedition from this country were acquitted yesterday after a trial lasting only ten minutes. This is the same party arrested at Wilmington, Del., and acquitted after an exciting trial. Through the vigi-lance of Minister De Lome, of Spain, they were traced to a point within British authority, taken by a British gunboat and sent to Nassau for trial. Word of the acquital was received also by Secretary Queseda, of the Guban revolutionary commit-tee, which has established headquarters here. This news, together with the action of the Federation of Labor indorsing the Cuban cause and the reports of General Gomez's successes, made the day a notable minister for the Cubans, with Mr. Queseda

as first secretary of the legation. It is probable also that efforts will be made to establish relations with the government authorities. The Spanish Cabinet Crisis. WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.-In diplomatic circles here it is said that the Cabinet crisis in Spain will have no effect on the policy of Spain toward Cuba, nor in any way affect diplomatic or other general questions. The which some of the Cabinet Ministers have been drawn. It is possible that the resigna-tion of the Minister of Justice might result in executing the plan of Cuban reformers sooner than had been contemplated. The reforms, giving limited autonomy to Cuba, adopted last March, but the present Minister of Justice has withheld their execution because the island was in rebellion The Minister of Foreign Affairs has had no part in the local contest in Madrid, so that his retirement will not occur under any

er of Works, Senor Bosch, has resigned from the Spanish Cabinet in order to clear imself from charges connected with the unicipal scandals over the misgovernment of Madrid, which are agitating the public mind. Senor Romerobledo, Minister of Justice, has also resigned in connection with municipal scandals. But it is understood that in addition to this he disagrees with the policy that Captain General Campos is pursuing in Cuba.

The Philadelphia Pettion. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.-Ten prominent Philadelphians, headed by Senator Penrose, and including Col. Emilio Nunez and Dr. John Guiteras, will go to Washington next Tuesday and present to the President, Sec-retary of State and chairmen of the Senate and House committees on foreign affairs the resolutions in favor of Cuba adopted at the recent mass meeting in this city, when Governor Matthews, of Indiana, was the principal speaker. They will request the powers of this government to recognize the republic of Cuba.

BROUGHT OUT A CHEMICAL.

A citizen was walking along Delaware

Not an Explosion After All; Only the Mystic Shriners.

street last evening near Market when he heard a noise which sounded much as an explosion. The noise was followed by yells as from some persons in distress. The man, who has much public spirit, ran to a telephone and calling up fire headquarters asked that a company be sent at once to the corner named. The chemical company was sent out and the public-spirited citizen greeted it on the corner. He told what he had heard. The firemen were taking out a line of hose, when there came a second loud noise and more yells, but they realized that there was no explofrom Ton firms the report with the qualification that if Boston improves her harbor and provides dockage facilities, 60 per cent. of the the Mystic Shrine was putting throug export grain will go from this port. He class of fifty-two. Since the burning

the Scottish Rite building the Shriners have had no place to hold their class meetings. Yesterday they had Tomlinson Hall and the afternoon and evening was passed in putting through the class, which came here from all parts of the State for the purpose. The firemen concluded that they were not wanted.

PINGREE TRIES A NEW ROLE.

He Attempts to Ride Free on a Street Car and Is Put Off.

DETROIT, Dec. 13 .- Mayor Pingree go a free ride this morning through refusing to pay fare on a Citizens' Company's car, unless the conductor should sell him six tickets for a quarter. To-night he repeated | CLARA

FREE FROM DISPLAY

OF ALLEN GRANBERRY THURMAN.

Brief and Simple Services Will Be Held at the Late Residence of the Statesman in Columbus To-Day.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 13.-The funeral of free from any display. The services at the and necessarily brief on account of the extreme age of Rev. J. L. Grover, who is to conduct them. Only the more intimate friends of the family will be admitted to the residence during the services, which will occur at 10 o'clock, the people being given an opportunity to view the remains from 10:30 to 12:30. The casket in which the remains repose is very plain, but elegant. It is covered with black broadcloth and has extension handles. On the top is a silver plate bearing the inscrip-

ALLEN GRANBERRY THURMAN.

In the Thurman residence there is a large archway connecting the hall with the HAVANA, Dec. 13 .- A dispatch from Santa | parlor and the casket will be placed in Clara says that the troops commanded by this archway so that the people may pass | day Aslanian was put in irons and was General Oliver have fought and routed the through the hall and view the remains withnsurgent forces commanded by Maximo Go- out disturbing the family and friends. At mez and Antonio Maceo at Manacas. The 12:30 the remains will be taken to Greendispatch also says that the insurgents have lawn Cemetery, where they will be placed entered the town of Siguanea, not far from | in a vaulted grave beside those of his wife. the battlefield, and that the columns of Dr. E. L. Rexford, a Universalist minister troops commanded by Generals Oliver, Pa- of this city, will conduct the services at To-night the Board of Trade met and de-cided to have a public memorial service at the Board of Trade auditorium on Dec. 20. Clara.

At Seiba, in the Trinidad district of Santa
Clara, Colonel Rubin has routed the insur
Judge Thurman was the first honorary member of the Board of Trade. To-night the Jackson Club also net and adopted the following memorial: "In the death of Allen G. Thurman the Republic has lost one of her greatest statesmen and Ohio one of the most distinguished of her sons; the cause of the plain, common people their ablest champion and Democracy her chiefest apostle. From its organization the Jackson Club has delighted to do homage to his high character, as its honorary pres ident, and now lays its final tribute with cerning whom it can be written: 'He was an honest man; he was the friend of liber-ty; he was the defender of the right; he

The State officials met this afternoon at the request of Governor McKinley to take action in regard to the death of Judge Thurman and Hon. Hezekiah S. Bundy, of Jackson. Attorney-general Richards, Secretary of State Taylor and Auditor of State Poe were appointed a committee to draft resolutions on the death of Judge Thurman and Mr. Bundy. The State offi-Thurman and Mr. Bundy. The State offi-cers will attend the funeral of Judge Thurman in a body to-morrow morning. Attorney-general Richards, Clerk of Supreme Court Allen, Auditor of State Poe.
Assistant Adjutant-general Curry and
Mine Inspector Hazeltine were selected to
represent the State officers at the funeral
of Mr. Bundy at Jackson Monday. It is
probable that other State officers will at-

tend the funeral. SUIT FOR \$1,000,000.

Heirs of Peter Cassady Want the

Land on Which South Omaha Is Built. OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 12 .- Five heirs of Peter Cassady, at Princeton, Ill., have sued for the site of South Omaha. The litigation involves nearly \$1,000,000. They base their claim on a technicality in the original transfers of the land, years ago, when it was of little value. The claim involves 238 acres. Part of this belongs now, or formerly be-longed, to the South Omaha Land Company and is platted into blocks and lots. There are, to average the blocks without counting one in Cuban circles. President Palma, head of the Cuban movement in the United States, will join Queseda here about next Monday. They will establish a legation and Mr. Palma will exercise the functions of averaged at the low estimate of \$500 each. averaged at the low estimate of \$500 each, would be worth \$865,000. This would show the claim of the Peter Cassady heirs.

WON BY SHOOTER WILLEY.

W. G. Clark Defeated in the One-Hundred Live Bird Match. NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- There was a large contingent of trap shooters at Yardville, N. J., to-day to see the second of a series of three one-hundred live bird matches between W. G. Clark, late of Altoona, Pa. but now of this city, and Allen Willey, of Hadlyme, Conn. The contest resulted in another victory for Willey at the end of the fifty-sixth round, with a score of fifty killed out of a possible fifty-six shot at. Clark withdrew at the close of the fifty-sixth round on account of his gun getting out of gear in the forty-seventh round. At the close of the match the score was: Willey, fifty killed, six missed; Clark, thir-ty-six killed, twenty missed. Willey missed his fifth, eighth, eighteenth and twenty-third in the first twenty-five, while Clark missed six. The score then stood twentyone to nineteen in Willey's favor. In the second round Willey showed his best form, only missing one out of twenty-five, while Clark scored nineteen. The last of the series will be decided to-morrow at Dexter Park. John S. Hoey was referee and Ed Banks scorer.

Gilbert Challenged. WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Dec. 13.-G. Christianson, of this county, will attempt to wrest the world's championship trap shooting from Fred Gilbert, of Spirit Lake during the holidays. A challenge was issued for Gilbert to-day. The match will take place at Spirit Lake. Christianson has won many medals and trophies at State tournameats. Gilbert was unknown as a sportsman until six weeks ago, when he won the championship at Baltimore.

TOOK HOKE SMITH'S ADVICE.

Georgia's Legislature Opens the Way for Testing the State Bank Tax Law. ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 13 .- The Georgia Legislature has opened the way for a test of the constitutionality of the 10 per cent tax on State bank notes. The Calvin banking act, passed at a former session, has been amended so that within a short time some public-spirited citizens of this State will establish a bank and issue notes for the express purpose of trying the State bank tax issue in the courts. Many able lawyers who have given the subject close study are convinced that this tax is unconstitutional and some of them will volunteer to defend in the courts an issue of State bank notes. This case will attract the attention of the whole country.

Used Serlp as Money. CANTON, O., Dec. 13.-At the beginning o the late panic certain manufacturers here scrip which circulated as currency among now here working up these cases with a view to assess the 10 per cent. tax on issues of notes by others than national banks.

EMBASSIES AT CONSTANTINOPLE PREPARING FOR A STATE OF SIEGE

Full Details of the Panie and Reign of Terror at Stamboul, Galata and Pera, and What Caused It.

> BARTON'S WORK

HAS PROMISED TO RELIEVE THE DISTRESS AMONG ARMENIANS.

Members of the American Red Cross Society Will Soon Go to Turkey

and Assist the Starving.

LONDON, Dec. 14 .- A dispatch to the Standard from Constantinople says that all the embassies are practically preparing

The Daily News publishes a statement on oath made in London by an Armenian named Aslanian, who was sent to New York by the Anglo-Armenian Association yesterday. Aslanian says that he lived in America formerly, and that he left New-York in the beginning of September to 1enople he was thrown into prison, although he had a regular passport. While there, which was during the recent disturbance, he witnessed a horrible scene, hundreds of Armenians being brought into the prison and deliberately killed. Aslanian said furhours. three hundred people were killed and five hundred wounded in that time. The women and relatives, who were weeping and imploring at the gates for permission to see their husbands and sons were roughly repulsed by the soldiers. On the following catechised regarding his supposed associates who had come from America for revolutionary purposes. On pleading ignorance of this he was tortured with a truncheon beating upon the shoulders, thighs and legs, causing agony. This was repeated on eleven different occasions. He was placed in soiltary confinement for a fortnight and other prisoners were similarly treated. When the delegates from the embassies came to inspect the prison they displayed the marks of their beating, "but," he continued, "fearing vengeance, I said they were due to rheumatism and begged for my release.

Four days later I was liberated." BRIEF REIGN OF TERROR.

Details of the Panie at Stamboul, Galata and Pera. (Copyright, 1895, by the Associated Press.) CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 12, via Sofia, Bulgaria, Dec. 13 .- There was a disturbance in Stamboul to-day and it caused the spread of rumors so alarming that Galata and Pera were soon in a state of panic and serious outbreaks were threatened. This, in view of the passage through the Dar-danelles of the British gunboat Dryad and the Italian gunboat Archimede, the extra guard ships for the British and Italian embassies, formed the basis for the report that the rioting predicted by the Yildiz Klosk courtiers had actually commenced, but, happily, the trouble was not of a serious nature, although the Armenians, as usual, are accused of having attempted to bring about an uprising of the paralace. The panic this morning, however, was a most extraordinary occurrence and is striking evidence of the nervousness and apprehension which prevail here as one of the results of long-drawn-out negotiations between the powers and the Sultan regarding the suppression of the outbreaks in Asiatic Turkey and the admittance of the extra guard ships into the Bosphorus. The least note of alarm now suffices to produce widespread terror and if proof was needed that the powers were right in their insistence on having additional protection for the population of Constantinople and its vicinity it was furnished by the oc-

currences of to-day. Simmered down to bare facts, the cause of the panic was, on the face of it, a flerce quarrel between two Armenians in the Stamboul quarter, during which they came to blows. Finally one of the Armenians drew a revolver and fired at his opponent. The shot was the signal for an uproar, a stampede of the spectators, and, eventually, a panic, which spread far and wide from one end of the city to the other until matters began to look very serious indeed. The Armenians and other Christians tions, terrifled by the shouting and yelling the rushing here and there of excited crowds, naturally imagined that a fresh massacre had commenced. They hurriedly closed their shops and houses, barricaded the doors and windows, concealed their most valuable belongings in various ways most valuable belongings in various ways and made all the preparations possible for defense. The women, as well as the men, armed themselves as best they could after the recent domiciliary visits of the police, who searched the Armenian residences high and low for concealed weapons and left these unfortunate people very little to fall back on for defense in case of an unrising of the Mussulmans. The example uprising of the Mussulmans. The example of the Armenians of Stamboul in hurriedly closing their shops, etc., was followed in street after street until, in the briefest period of time imaginable, every shop was period of time imaginable, every shop was shut and nearly all the houses were barricaded. Crowds of people, male and female, old and young, were seized with terror which grew in strength as time wore of which grew in strength as time wore of the confusion increased. People field and the confusion increased. People fither and thither aimlessly, apparent unaware of what they were doing, no knowing what had actually happened, b with the general impression that a mas sacre was in progress somewhere.

It is difficult to describe to those quainted with the vagaries of the popula-tion of this city and who are not familia with the state of nervous tension whice has existed here for months past the scene prevailed here at the height of the excitement this morning. Every man seen the streets seemed to have lost his her for the time and it would not have needs much more to have actually precipitated terrible outbreak. The ordinary police offi-cials, as well as the military police who have been patrolling the streets since the last outbreak here, seemed to be among the first to catch the panic, for they hurried to their different headquarters as if obeying orders previously given and it was not until the alarm began to subside that they reappeared and busied themselves with their duties.

to Galata and Pera, carried onward by named quarter, who were evidently under the impression that they were fleeing for their lives. The inhabitants of Galata quickly caught the fever of alarm and i turn shut their stores and houses an joined in the scene of confusion, an ex ample which was promptly followed by the people of the Pera quarter. Seeing people fleeing through the streets in terror cause others to do the same, until the air was a rushing multitude. Those who did not join in the stampede barricaded themselves within their houses and prepared to see their most horrible fears realized. The Armenian porters, when the alarm fi streets and fied to the nearest places safety. Drivers deserted their horses, mul or donkers, servants ran away from the